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REPORT To Our Reader - Owners

THE PORTUGUESE JOURNAL

Not far from the plant and office of East Bay Labor Journal is the plant and office of another weekly paper, much older than our own: the Portuguese Journal. Recently the 70th birthday of the Portuguese Journal was observed with a music hall show and cultural program at the Veterans Memorial building.

Alberto S. Lemos, editor of the Portuguese Journal, has published a special edition of the paper to commemorate the birthday, and many distinguished persons from California, Portugal, and Brazil, the great republic founded by the Portuguese, were present at the Veterans Memorial building program.

Many members and officers of our Alameda County labor movement are of Portuguese stock. The beautiful and historic language in which the Portuguese Journal is published is widely spoken and read throughout the county.

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AN ABLE FOREMAN

The Portuguese have had much to do with building up the agricultural prosperity of California. When the present writer first came to this State many years ago from the tall timber and was working as a farm laborer, the most loveable and diplomatic and efficient farm foreman under whom he worked was a Portuguese.

This foreman had in his crew a Dane recently here from the old country, a Filipino, and persons of various other races. It was wonderful to observe how he kept us all happy and working in harmony. The work surely did get done, too!

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MANY HAPPY RETURNS!

Dean Barrett of the Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism recently predicted that there will be fewer large general newspapers, dailies, and more smaller specialized ones, mostly weeklies. East Bay Labor Journal and the Portuguese Journal are both papers of this latter type which Dean Barrett considers very important.

We congratulate our brother specialized weekly, and wish it many happy returns.

CLC delegate seated

Lawrence M. Deutch was seated as a delegate from the San Leandro Federation of Teachers 1285 at the September 29 meeting of the Central Labor Council.

OFFICIAL NOTICES

Unions will find notices of important meetings called by their officers on page 5 of this issue of the Journal.

Knight rapped in BTC for low politics moves

Goodwin J. Knight in his effort to be elected as U. S. Senator in November, is playing dirty politics, using his office as Governor to forward his campaign for the Senatorship.

Such was the charge made against Knight at the last meeting of the Building Trades Council by Chester R. Bartalini, Carpenters 36.

Bartalini, who as president of the State Council of Carpenters keeps in close touch with political matters all over California, said that the last two appointments made by Knight to the State Apprenticeship Commission were perfect illustrations of the misuse of a high office for political purposes.

The apprenticeship program in California has been built up through the years, said Bartalini, by craft unions wishing to improve the skills of the men coming in to the craft as journeymen. Persons appointed to the Apprenticeship Commission, he said, should be such men as E. H. Vernon of Automobile Machinists 1546, who has for some years been on the commission. Vernon, said Bartalini, represents a craft union which is deeply interested in the apprenticeship program, and whose leaders devote much time to it.

But Knight's two recent appointments, said the Carpenters' leader, violate this important principle. Recently Governor Knight named "Mushy" Callahan of a culinary union in Los Angeles to the commission, and also Percy Ball of the Laborers in Sacramento.

Bartalini said that he was not criticizing Callahan or Ball as individuals, but wished to register a public protest against naming to the commission men representing unions which do not have an apprenticeship program.

"This is a very serious matter," concluded Bartalini. "Knight is prostituting the apprenticeship program for political expediency. It stinks."

THE BASEBALL BOYS

Letters from boys who played on the baseball teams BTC locals helped to sponsor during the summer were called to the attention of the delegates.

Among them were letters from Gregory Finnie, captain of the Labor Council Invaders; Michael Finnie, captain of the Labor Council Lions; Barry Silva, captain of the Labor Council Beavers; James Caraway, captain of the Labor Council Rangers; Will Battles, who forgot to mention the name of his team; Lawrence Sneed Jr., who also failed to mention the name of his team.

Sneed wrote that the baseball program "kept us boys off the street. We are learning to play fair and not cheat and fight. I have a nice coach and captain. I like playing baseball and hope

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SCIENCE & INDUSTRY



TRUMAN FOR COHELAN is what this picture says, and it's only natural. The ex-President, a friend of labor and a believer in liberal legislation, met and talked while out here recently with Jeffery Cohelan, union official, Berkeley City Councilman, and long a leading figure in labor and liberal circles. Cohelan is the labor-endorsed candidate for Congress in the 7th District. Yes, Harry S. Truman is for Jeff Cohelan, but no one knows better than the former President that autos, phones, and shoe leather are needed to get a man elected to Congress, as well as good wishes. So read the story below this picture and see what's needed to elect Cohelan and defeat Proposition 18.

Vote FIRST on 18! Volunteer to use car, phone & shoe leather

Cold uncomfortable icicle facts about what must be done to defeat the so-called "right to work" Proposition 18 November 4 entered the eyes and ears of a large throng at the joint meeting of the Central Labor Council and the Building Trades Council

ARE YOU FOR UNIONISM? THEN HERE ARE 4 JOBS TO DO FOR YOUR UNION!

Four jobs that must be done by volunteers if labor is to elect its candidates November 4 and defeat Proposition 18 were emphasized at the joint meeting Monday of the Central Labor Council and Building Trades:

1—IMMEDIATELY: Go to headquarters at 327 - 17th Street, Oakland, and help make up Election Day precinct lists of telephones. (And on the day itself volunteer to do some of the phoning to people to get out and vote!)

2—Friday, October 24, and Saturday, October 25, a fleet of cars is needed to pick up at 327 - 17th Street 300,000 final election statements and deliver them to captains' houses. Report any time either day. Headquarters phone is Higate 4-2664.

3—Sunday morning, October 26, 500 more volunteers are needed to report at 5 a.m. to the nearest of three places to haul the 300,000 final statements to precincts and then get out and use shoe leather to distribute them house to house. The three places are: 327 - 17th Street, Oakland; 810 - 14th Street, Oakland; 873 A Street, Hayward.

4—Volunteer use of your private telephone line, unlimited service, for Election Day. Make the offer immediately to headquarters so plans can be made effectively for use of it.

Monday night at the Labor Temple.

Central Labor Council Secretary Robert S. Ash displayed large cards showing the results of surveys made for the State Federation of Labor. These surveys showed that in both major parties the drift from August to October has been favorable to labor—that is, there has been a slight increase in both parties toward voting NO on Proposition 18.

But the favorable drift is nothing to write home about.

So delicate is the balance that, Ash pointed out, if there is an error of 3% in the calculations for Los Angeles County alone, or if something happens which would cause that shift, then the chances are strong that labor would be licked.

This makes it imperative that an extremely big majority be rolled up in Alameda County and in the northern part of the State to offset what may very well happen in the more heavily populated southern part of the State.

The firm which made the survey for the State Fed also produced figures based on experiences in past elections to show that Proposition 18, being at the bottom of the list of State propositions, runs a grave risk of being adopted through the grave electoral disease of "drop off" afflicting many voters who intend to vote NO on 18.

In other words, many people of the lower income groups, the statistics show, tend to vote for Governor and U. S. Senator and to vote on a few of the propositions at the top of the list, and then to get fed up and say "T'he'll with it!" and fold up the long ballot uncompleted and stuff it into the box.

As a precaution against this, it was emphasized at the meeting that a good rule is to urge all labor people to vote on Proposition 18 FIRST. Start at the bottom of the list of State Propositions and work up!

J. L. Childers, Building Trades Council business representative, reminded those present that in

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Help needed now by some UAW strikers at 3 GM plants here

Meetings were held Tuesday by the striking United Auto Workers of the three General Motors plants here to receive reports on the progress of the local negotiations.

The strike is the result of local grievances.

Jack Tobler told the joint meeting of the Building Trades Council and Central Labor Council Monday night that hardship cases are beginning to show up among the strikers.

Due to the circumstances of the strike money from the international treasury is not available to help these hardship cases.

Tobler said that any union people wishing to give any sort of assistance in these cases could call up LOckhaven 9-5641.

Any job at other kinds of work that could be supplied by any union would be welcome, he said, and if any union wished to take up a collection to assist those that are in real need the help would be welcome.

"We try to help other unions when they're in trouble," said Tobler, "and you can be sure we'll be doing it again when this is over. Meanwhile, our people temporarily out of work are doing what they can to help in the fight against Proposition 18."

HOW TO BUY

Phony value claims

By SIDNEY MARGOLIUS
Labor Consumer Advisor for Labor Journal

Can you trust a retailer or manufacturer when he advertises that an article is "worth such-and-such a price" or "formerly sold for (a much higher) price"?

The evidence is that such price comparatives are increasingly unreliable as a yardstick of how much you get for your money. Recently the Association of Better Business Bureaus called phony price claims, which includes exaggerated ads and fictitious price tags on merchandise, one of the "twin shames" of advertising today. The other is "bait and switch" advertising.

Now the Federal Trade Commission is planning trade practice rules which will require business firms to advertise their savings claims honestly. Harold W. Webber, chairman of the BBB's comparative-price committee, points out that the FTC issued nearly 80 complaints of false and misleading price claims last year.

What you ought to know is that not only the so-called fringe of unethical firms on which dishonest ads traditionally are blamed, but many well-known and so-called reputable sellers have been caught in such price hoaxes.

Also noticeable is that many stores, including some of the big discount houses and promotional department stores, which offer cut prices on known brands are capitalizing on their reputations for values by using fake claims of savings on goods shoppers can't identify readily. Because of the present sharp competition on standard appliances and other recognizable merchandise, some stores now handle more unknown brands of housewares, jewelry, clothing accessories and gift items whose values are more difficult to

measure and on which they can exaggerate the savings. Because you find some bargains in a store does not mean all the other items in the same store are good value.

Such deceptions have been abetted in recent years by the tendency of some manufacturers to attach to their products printed tickets showing exaggerated retail prices. At a conference on phony bargain claims called by Dr. Persia Campbell, Consumer Counsel to New York's Governor Harriman, one expert reported that such exaggerated price tickets now are used on a large variety of products, from refrigerators to socks.

One of the country's largest manufacturers of fishing tackle reported getting requests from retailers to put a price tag of \$40 on a rod the stores ordinarily sell for \$20. Thus the stores could fool shoppers into thinking they were getting a rod at 50 percent off. The manufacturer tried this stunt once, but got caught and turned honest again.

A mattress-industry representative estimated that over 90 percent of the mattress ads published in the newspapers of one big city exaggerated the price savings.

A carpeting-industry editor at the same conference showed that most of the ads for rugs in one of the country's biggest, most respected newspapers used exaggerated price claims. Newspapers sometimes alibi that they can't reject ads for exaggerated price comparisons, especially if they are widely used by local retailers. The fact is, newspapers and radio and TV stations do have the right to refuse false advertising if they want to.

Albert T. Seidman, an official of the Federal Trade Commission, reported that a bottler of perfumes advertised a perfume with an exotic French name at \$18.50 an ounce. But the bottler sold it to retailers and house-to-house sellers for 50 cents an ounce. They used copies of the "\$18.50" ad to convince buyers they were getting a terrific bargain at the prices of \$1 to \$5 an ounce charged by various sellers.

To the Ladies: FROM the EDITOR

"MATE-SWAPPING," as the headline writers now call it in what is getting to be a fairly routine type of news story, somewhat puzzles two types of couples: those that stay married, and those that separate in sorrow and anger.

Apparently the cheerful mate-swappers begin to constitute a small but growing third type of couples.

TWO COUPLES: according to United Press, living in this State "sat down for a frank discussion and decided that they really belonged, not to each other, but to the other's mate." (That would be a good sentence to hand to the freshman class in English to analyze and discuss its grammar, but one does get the idea.)

So after that nice little talk A's wife and B's husband go to Las Vegas for six weeks and a pair of divorces, while C's husband and D's wife stay in their neighboring houses, and keep the home fires burning, taking care of the six children, 3 to a pair. The children, E, F., G, H, I, and J, doubtless take it all in their stride, as do the two Boston bulldogs, K and L.

"THEY MET BRIEFLY," says UP, after the Las Vegas transactions, "to congratulate each other."

It's all just as simple as A, B, and C all the way through to K and L, the two Boston bulls.

Some of us are left with a slightly dizzy feeling that K and L may understand all this better than we do, and that perhaps ancestors and ancestresses of K and L may have inaugurated this charming custom long, long ago.

Fire Marshal praises sack

Paris couturiers may be giving the sack dress the sack, in favor of the knee-revealing "X" look, but there's one Californian at least who has something good to say for the current "bag" style. He is Sacramento's Joe R. Yockers, State Fire Marshal.

Marshal Yockers makes no pretense at aesthetics. A practical man, he contends that the tight hem makes the sack dress less likely to catch fire from fireplaces, wall heaters or kitchen ranges. Which would seem to bear out our original contention that the sack dress never would set the world on fire.—Whitaker & Baxter Newsletter.

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Veil for beret

The back-of-the-head beret, in velvet or silk, gets a glamorous softening with an overlaying film of veiling. Buy one-quarter of a yard of net, cut into a circle and cover the beret, tacking the net all around to the underneath facing of the hat. One idea for spring: a navy beret, covered with dotted white net, and a stiff white grosgrain bow tacked to the centerfront of the hat.

Cooking tip

Either cornstarch or flour may be used to thicken sauces and soups. Cornstarch gives a transparency such as that found in many Chinese dishes; flour gives an opaque look.

Women in This World

By EDITH McCONN

A HIGH SCHOOL district in the Bay area is much concerned about the cost of the maintenance of its grounds.

The price is something like \$25,000 a year, and not only going up every year, but due to double soon when two new high schools are built.

This does seem like a lot of money for mowing the lawns, weeding the flower beds and trimming the shrubbery, and the officials are mightily worried about it. How can they persuade the taxpayers to dig down for this amount when they feel they are already paying the limit for the essentials of education?

Yet even the taxpayers do not want the grounds to be grassless, treeless areas of cement. They expect the expensive new buildings to have pleasing and attractive surroundings. A real dilemma for the school board.

But this is the sort of dilemma all public agencies' boards now face. We, most of us, want a great deal of public service, but we don't wish to pay for it.

Tax money can be wasted, but it is the multimillionaires who carry on the ceaseless propaganda implying that ALL tax money is wasted.

Small taxpayers along with big will have to realize that service for the public costs money, and that the public has to pay that cost.

'She cares. Do you?' slogan

"She Cares—Do You?" is the keynote of the new national project sponsored by Camp Fire Girls, Inc. This was announced by Dean Elsbeth Melville, president of the national youth organization and Dean of Women at Boston University.

Activities in the "She Cares—Do You?" project will center around conservation of the country's national resources: plant and animal life and minerals.

Dean Melville said the project had two goals.

"Our first goal is to provide an active service to the country by having our more than half-million members take part in activities that promote the wise use of natural resources. The second goal: to help make Camp Fire Girls become more aware of what makes this country strong and sound."

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2 hours off with pay is your right on November 4th

The California Election Code empowers every employee in the State to take two hours time off to vote if he gives his employer two working days' notice. The employer is prohibited from making any deduction from pay for the said two hours.

The rule is that the "employee who does not have sufficient time outside of working hours to vote may take as much working time as will, when added to his voting time outside working hours, enable him to vote. The time must be taken at the beginning or end of his regular working shift, whichever allows him the most free time for voting and the least time off work, unless otherwise agreed."

One very important rule to note and conform to is the following: "Where employee knows or has reason to believe he will need time off, he is to give his employer at least two working days' notice of such absence."

Here's a rule to check your employer on:

"Employers are required to keep posted conspicuously, not less than ten days before every general, direct primary or presidential primary election, a notice setting forth the provisions of the pay-while-voting law."

There are teeth in the law, too. If the employer docks you for your two hours' off, he comes under the following rule:

"Every person who violates any State election law, is punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 or imprisonment in State prison not to exceed 5 years, or both."

All the above quotations are from Bulletin No. 138, 1958 revision, entitled "Voting under State law," published by the U. S. Secretary of Labor.

Hayward Review is asked to explain

Hayward City Councilman Michael D. Sheridan, just before the recent bond election in that city, wrote a letter to the Hayward Review asking why the paper, in the course of the campaign for the bonds, was printing articles that were "a sham, a mockery, and an affront to the Council, the staff, and the citizenry of Hayward."

Of the \$17,000,000 bond issue proposed to carry out improvements, only \$9,500,000 of the various projects on the list won the approval of the voters in the election which was held on Tuesday, October 7.

COPE GENERAL MEETING WED., OCT. 22, 8:00 P.M.

The general meeting of COPE will be held at 8:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 22, at the Labor Temple.

The executive board meets on the first and third Wednesday of the month at 3:30 p.m. and the general COPE meeting is held the second and fourth Wednesday at 8:00 p.m.

Cohelan tours Bay Area in survey of progress needed

Jeffery Cohelan, Democratic candidate for Congress, Seventh District, was on a heavy schedule of campaigning recently, it was stated by Lyle E. Cook, Cohelan for Congress committee chairman.

Foremost among the many speaking engagements for Cohelan was a series of round-robin breakfast meetings and survey tours with Clement Miller and Howard Jewel, Democratic candidates respectively in the First and Sixth Congressional Districts.

Cohelan went one day to Richmond where Jewel was host and then surveyed the Richmond port and defense installations, and on the following day, Miller invited Cohelan and Jewel to Napa for a briefing on the Napa River channel project.

Cohelan's turn came later, when his fellow Democratic candidates for Congress toured the Oakland Naval Supply Depot and studied projects for expanded employment in the Oakland Harbor area.

Cook pointed out: "This early teamwork approach to step up Federal projects in the Bay Area shows what can be done and, also, what has been lacking in the past. Solid results can only come by electing to Congress Democratic candidates so they can work hand-in-hand with George P. Miller and John F. Shelley."

CLC-BTC emphasize Time-off-to-vote

At the joint meeting of the Central Labor Council and Building Trades Council this week to consider election problems, it was emphasized that workers are under State law entitled to two hours off with pay if they need the time to vote.

On this page will be found a complete statement of this law, telling just how the worker can get those two hours off on Election Day, and how he can make sure he gets his pay for them.

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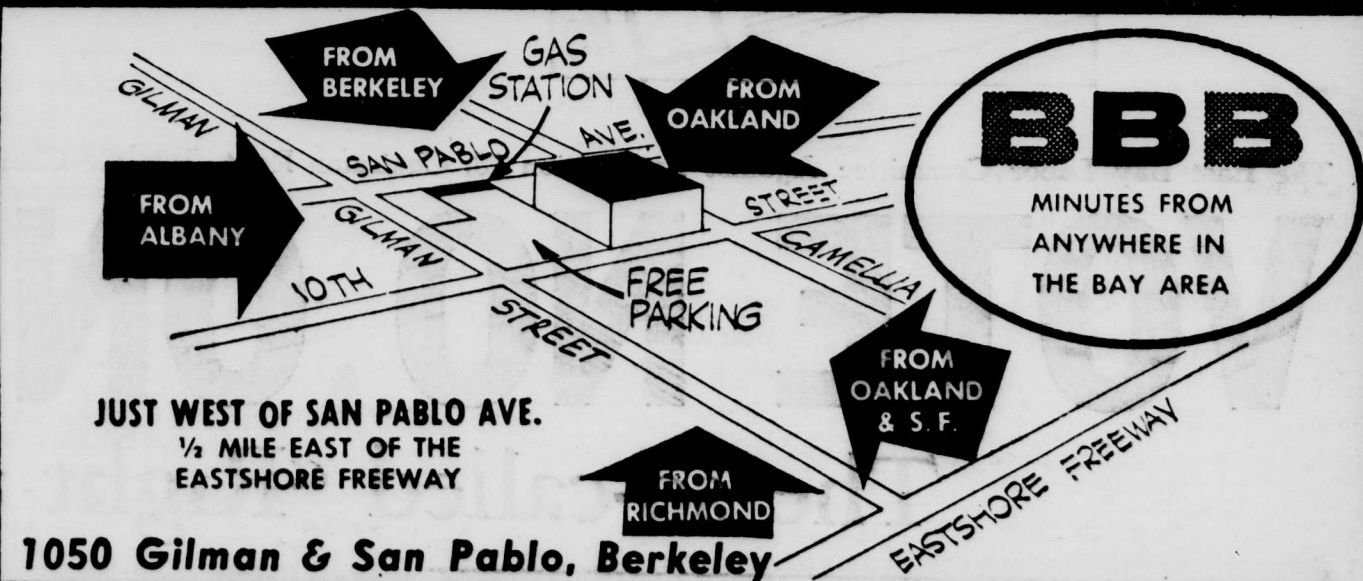
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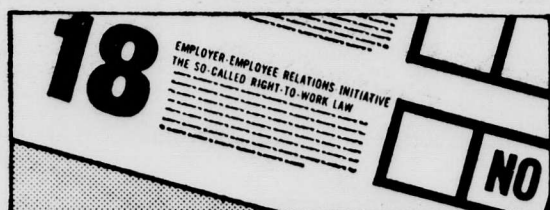
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Don't let them "Divide" our community or "Conquer" its prosperity and waste fifty years of hard-won economic and social improvement.

Last On Your Ballot — First In Importance



The East Bay Labor Committee Against Proposition 18; Chairman Robt. Ash, Co-Chairman Art Hellender, Co-Chairman Lamar Childers, urges you to—

VOTE NO ON PROP 18

The so-called "Right to Work" law

OFFICIAL UNION NOTICES

AUTOMOTIVE MACHINISTS 1546

You are herewith officially notified that Lodge 1546 meets in regular session on the first and third Tuesday of each month at the hour of 8:00 p.m. in the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez Street, Oakland 12, California.

Meeting hall will be posted on the bulletin board in the lobby of said Temple and you are herewith officially requested to be in attendance.

Fraternally,
A. J. HAYES,
Recording Secretary

AUTOMOBILE SALESMEN 1095

Please be advised that the next regular meeting of Automobile Salesmen 1095 will be held Thursday, November 6, at 8 p.m.

Location: Cooks Hall, 1608 Webster Street, Oakland. All members should attend this meeting.

Fraternally,
ALBERT R. SILVA,
Secretary

CARPENTERS 1158

Berkeley Local 1158 meets at 2108 Shattuck Avenue, Berkeley on the second and fourth Friday of each month at 8:00 p.m.

Fraternally yours,
H. B. RICHARDSON,
Recording Secretary

CARPENTERS 194, 1158 & 1473

The Business Agents' and Dispatchers' office is open Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland, room 232, phone TWinoaks 3-1120.

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The office will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Dues also may be paid on regular meeting nights.

Fraternally yours,
LLOYD CHILD,
Business Representative

STEAMFITTERS LOCAL 342

Beginning with the month of October two membership meetings per month are being held and the non-attendance fee will again be in effect. Please try to attend your membership meetings.

Fraternally,
JAMES MARTIN,
Fin. Sec'y., Bus. Mgr.

CARPENTERS 1473

Fruitvale Local 1473 meets at Eagle's Hall, 1228 - 36th Avenue, Oakland on the first and third Friday of each month at 8:00 p.m.

Fraternally yours,
J. W. KIRKMAN,
Recording Secretary

HAYWARD CARPENTERS 1622

Regular meeting Friday, October 17, at 8 p.m., Labor Temple, 1050 Mattox Road, Hayward.

On Saturday night, October 18, at the Labor Temple, Hayward Painters' 1178 and Carpenters' L. U. 1622 have arranged a joint meeting open to members of both Locals, their families and friends.

A film showing the effects of "right to work" in States where such laws have been adopted, will be shown.

Proposition 18 "right to work" amendment is up for vote at the November 4, election. Come to this showing and see for yourself what such legislation has done in other States. The same will happen in California, should Proposition 18 carry.

Fraternally yours,
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AUTO & SHIP PAINTERS 1176

The next regular meeting will be held in Hall D of the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., at 8 p.m. Tuesday, October 21.

Fraternally,
LESLIE K. MOORE,
Business Representative

PLUMBERS & GAS FITTERS 444

The next regular meeting of Plumbers & Gas Fitters Local Union No. 444 will be a special called one, and will be held on Wednesday, October 22, 1958 in Hall A on the first floor of the Labor Temple Building, 2315 Valdez Street, Oakland, California.

1. We will conduct the regular order of business.

2. First nominations for one to serve on the Finance Committee.

3. First nominations for two to serve on the Executive Board.

4. First nominations for delegates to the California State Pipe Trades Convention in April, 1959.

It is important that you watch these union meeting notices in your East Bay Labor Journal paper as they should be important to you.

Please make every effort to attend your union meetings.

Fraternally,
BEN H. BEYNON,
Business Manager and
Financial Sec-Treas.

STEEL MACHINISTS 1304

Regular meeting Thursday, October 16, 1958 at 8:00 p.m.

Executive Board meets 6:30 p.m. Joint Stewards Council on Saturday, October 18, 1958. Jay Darwin, Attorney, will report on Explosion Cases. All interested parties please attend.

Fraternally,
DAVE ARCA,
Recording Secretary

CEMENT MASONS 594

The next regular meeting of Cement Masons Local 594 will be held on October 16 at 8:00 p.m. and will be a special meeting.

The special order of business will be election of delegates to the State Building Trades conference to be held in San Francisco beginning December 3, 1958.

Fraternally yours,
M. B. DILLASHAW,
Business Representative

UNITED STEELWORKERS 1798

There will be a meeting of United Steelworkers, Local 1798, Friday, October 24, 1958, 8:00 p.m., 2315 Valdez Street, Hall D, Oakland.

Fraternally,
DOROTHY McDAID,
Recording Secretary

CARPENTERS 36

Our final social meeting will be held, Friday at 8 p.m., October 17, at Carpenter's Hall, 761 - 12th St., Oakland. We would appreciate your attendance and hope you will bring your family and friends.

C. R. Bartolini will address the meeting on the latest news around California on the fight against Proposition 18, the right-to-work bill. Political candidates will be introduced with a social hour starting promptly at 10:00 p.m.

Refreshments, social hour and more of our fine entertainment by the members of our carpenters. Please come and enjoy the final social meeting before the election.

Fraternally yours,
OSCAR N. ANDERSON,
Recording Secretary

HAYWARD PAINTERS 1178

Friday night, October 17 coming up is the date of our next meeting. A special meeting follows the regular one. We will nominate delegates to the State Building Trades convention to be held in San Francisco December 3rd and 4th. Two delegates from Local Union 1178 will be elected at the following meeting.

Fraternally yours,
ROBERT G. MILLER,
Recording Secretary

PAINT MAKERS 1101

Office Secretary, Mona Crays, will be on vacation from October 22nd to November 4th. Therefore the office will be open only for the Business Manager's regular hours.

Fraternally yours,
PETER CEREMELLO
Business Manager

HAYWARD CULINARY 823

The next regular meeting will be held at union headquarters Tuesday, October 21, at 8:00 p.m.

Fraternally,
ROY WOODS,
Secretary-Treasurer

CARPENTERS 194

Unless otherwise specified, the Alameda Carpenter Local will meet on the first and third Friday of each month at 8:00 p.m. in Eagle Hall, 2305 Alameda Ave., Alameda.

Fraternally yours,
J. W. NIXON,
Recording Secretary

CLERKS, LUMBER HANDLERS 939

The next meeting of Clerks and Lumber Handlers No. 939 will be held on Friday, October 24, 1958 in Hall "B" in the Labor Temple. This will be a Regular meeting.

Please be advised that Death Benefit No. 8 is now due and payable.

Fraternally yours,
A. R. ESTES,
Recording Secretary

PAINTERS LOCAL 127

ATTENTION MEMBERS!

All members, their families and friends, are invited to the next meeting of your local, Thursday, October 23, 1958 at 8:00 p.m.

This meeting will be a rally against Proposition 18, there will be two motion pictures shown and a very interesting speaker who will explain why all working people should get out and vote NO on Proposition 18. There will be refreshments served after. Let's have a big turnout for this very important meeting.

Members, if you know that you will not be in town November 4, 1958, to be able to vote be sure and obtain an absentee ballot, as in this election every vote will count. Also each and every member should be sure and vote.

Hope to see a lot of members, families, and friends at the special meeting, October 23rd.

Fraternally yours,
EDGAR S. GULBRANSEN,
Recording Secretary

BERKELEY PAINTERS LOCAL 40

At our meeting of October 10, brothers Ben Rasnick and Clarence Vezey were chosen to represent Local 40 at the State Building and Construction convention to be held December 3rd and 4th.

Friday, October 24, at 8:00 p.m. is an evening all our members should reserve for our union. There will be a speaker and two films exposing the so-called "right to work" proposition. If we are to retain our living standards and benefits we now enjoy, we must all work to defeat Proposition 18. Members, wives and friends are invited to attend this meeting. Let's fill the hall.

Refreshments will be served.

Fraternally yours,
CLARENCE SLATER,
Recording Secretary

S. F.-OAKLAND MAILERS 18

The next regular meeting of San Francisco-Oakland Mailers' Union, No. 18 will be held at California Hall, 625 Polk Street, San Francisco, California on Sunday afternoon, October 19, 1958 at 1:00 p.m.

Fraternally yours
HORACE STAFFORD,
Secretary

Paint Makers' 1101

By PETE CEREMELLO

The newspapers are a fountain of knowledge if you read them very carefully and deliberately. Because at times you have to weigh very carefully what you read with all the statements being made by some of these blowhards aspiring to office. It's about time we get some real legislation for our people!

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2. Compensation in event of death on job, \$40 or \$50,000 to protect the widow and family.

3. Laws to stop them from discriminating against people because of age.

4. Legislation for the aged, so they will not have to ask for supplementary aid.

5. Legislation to protect health and welfare funds from being exploited by the doctors and hospitals.

6. Legislation to control insurance companies and brokers, so that our pension plans will not be exploited.

Also many other things concerning the well being of Union Members and non-Union people.

Something else to think about is where is all this outside money coming from to fight us on Proposition No. 18. Please keep in mind to get your friends out on the vote November 4, 1958. Maintain your standard of living by voting NO on No. 18. Let's beat the money grabbers.

If you think for one moment that Yes on No. 18 will help you, you are badly mistaken because just today some people approached me regarding organizing their plant. They have right to work in the worst manner. \$1.50 per hour, no sick leave, no pension, no health and welfare, no holidays, no overtime for holidays and on and on. Let's vote together NO on No. 18.

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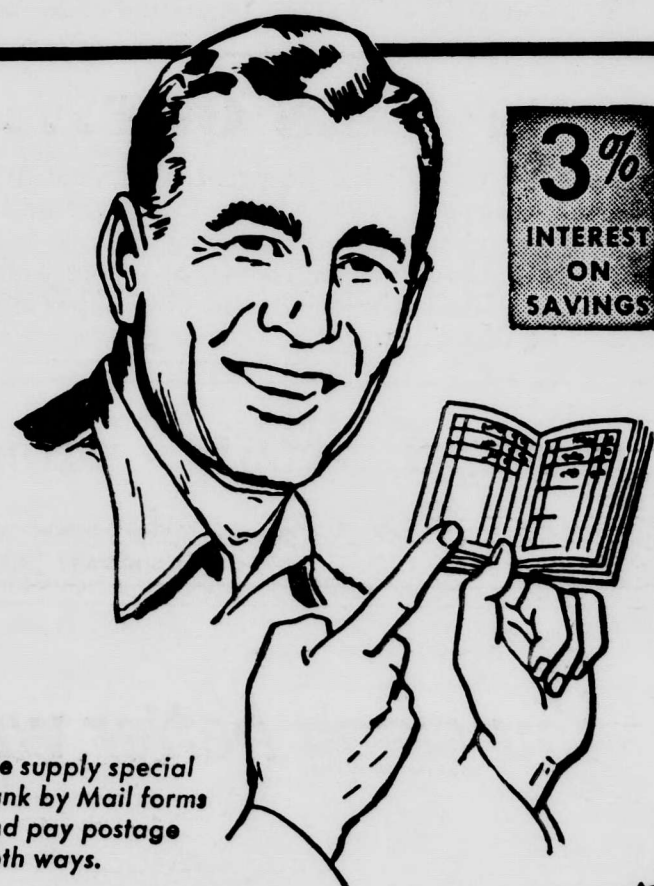
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... and use it, if you will not be present to vote in your own precinct on November 4. Above form, filled out and mailed to your county registrar of voters, will enable you to cast your "NO" vote against Proposition 18 via absentee ballot. If you reside in Contra Costa County, send the application to the County Clerk at Martinez.

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Steel Machinists 1304

By DAVE ARCA

Some things are inevitable. Like Liz Taylor finding a new romance; like Knowland's integrity disintegrating; so the Tribune is quoting the East Bay Labor Journal.

In an article concerning the Jack Reynolds appointment as an organizer in Hawaii, the Tribune quoted almost verbatim the remarks of an editorial in the Journal. This pleases me greatly.

The editor of the East Bay Labor Journal has always called a spade a spade. The Journal, as the voice of Labor in Alameda County, has never hesitated to condemn Labor for acts it felt was detrimental to the working people of Alameda County.

The Journal has recommended against Knowland in the coming election. There is no doubt in my mind that Knowland IS detrimental to the workers of California.

I don't suppose the Tribune will quote these remarks.

Louis Burgess is the Editor of the East Bay Labor Journal.

Joe Knowland and son Bill, run the Tribune.

A newspaper is only as good as its editor.

I like the Journal.

Machinists Auxiliary

By OLIVE M. HARVEY

First October meeting called to order by President Trellis Wharry. Now that vacations are over there should have been a much better attendance. I have no report to make except that those who were there covered considerable business matters. Our next meeting will be our annual Past Presidents night when the Past Presidents take over the meetings and we are hoping there will be more members present than there were at the last meeting.

Sisters Florence Meade, Eva Hare, Evelyn Gerholdt, and Juanita Salo who have been reported on the ill list are all much better now and will be present at the next meeting.

Chairman Tillie Bartmess reports that she is still short of things for County Fair grab bags and would appreciate if you would donate. Matilda wants me also to remind you that the Bay Area Auxiliaries County Fair will be this coming Saturday, October 11 at the Machinist Hall, 255 16th Street, Richmond, and everyone who can should attend.

It will be from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. and there will be handmade items for sale, many surprises besides games, dancing, and good food. The lucky person to receive the beautiful doll and its lovely wardrobe was Lillian Dybfest of 481 - 38th Street, Oakland.

Hoping to see you all Past Presidents night.

Don't forget to look for the Union Label bug when you shop.

Watchmakers Local 101

By GEORGE F. ALLEN

The San Jose members at their last meeting displayed a great deal of interest in the idea of starting an electric watch repair class in their city. I was instructed to obtain the necessary information and equipment needed to operate such a class from brother Gil West the instructor of the San Francisco watch repair class. After obtaining this data I will contact the Adult Division of the San Jose Board of Education and ask their support for such a class. Brother West has stated that he will travel to San Jose to teach this class if one is started.

You may not know but adult education is based upon attendance records and we need a few members living in Santa Clara County to take the class. At the present time we have 15 members who have asked to enroll. I do not know what night the class will be held, the only information on this subject I can give you is that it will have to be on some other night than Tuesday or Thursday as both nights are filled up with complete classes in San Francisco. With 6 more members in Santa Clara County I could present a complete class when I appear before the Board of Education. Contact the union office if you are interested.

Regular meeting — Thursday, October 23, 1958, Native Sons Hall at 7:30 p.m. for San Francisco.

For Sale—Watch Bench, Tools and Watch Material, Stanford Jewelers, 729 Market Street, San Francisco.

JOHN W. HOLMDAHL, Democratic candidate for State Senator, affirmed his position in opposition to Proposition No. 16. This initiative would repeal the property tax exemption on private non-profit elementary and high schools.

Tell 'em you saw it in the East Bay Labor Journal!

Chips and Chatter

By AL THOMAS

Local 36 is having its last political meeting before election next Friday, October 17th at our hall. We will hear about our Proposition 18 fight and have some of the candidates on local issues there. Coffee, doughnuts, and home talent. Come and have a good time.

It has been said that our younger members do not really know what it is to be up against real hardship and don't appreciate what they have had handed to them in the way of working wages and conditions.

Well, it seems to me that one way we can prove to these old timers that we do know and are not just "summer union men" is to get ourselves, our friends and families to the present day battle line: the voting booth, on November 4th. This will show the old stalwarts that even if we didn't seek this battle, we will not lose by default what they fought so many years to get for us.

I have yet to see any man or corporation or company that willingly gave a man who worked for wages one cent they didn't have to. But there are always plenty of incentives, stock options, profit sharings, for the modern day pirate who can figure the new angle or twist to make the fast dollar and he is the white hope of managements if he does so.

This is the only angle that the perpetrators of this infamy (Proposition 18) have in mind, that is, to use labor as cheaply as possible, taking advantage of those among us who are weak of purpose or forced by that bad habit of needing to eat to work for as little as possible.

Railroad Trainman will speak on 18

Stanley B. Rider of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen will speak against Proposition 18 before the Diablo Unitarian Fellowship Sunday, October 19, at 10:10 a.m. The meeting will be held at the Walnut Creek Women's Club.

Rider, who has been speaking on the subject for some time, entitled his talk, "Turning Back the Clock."

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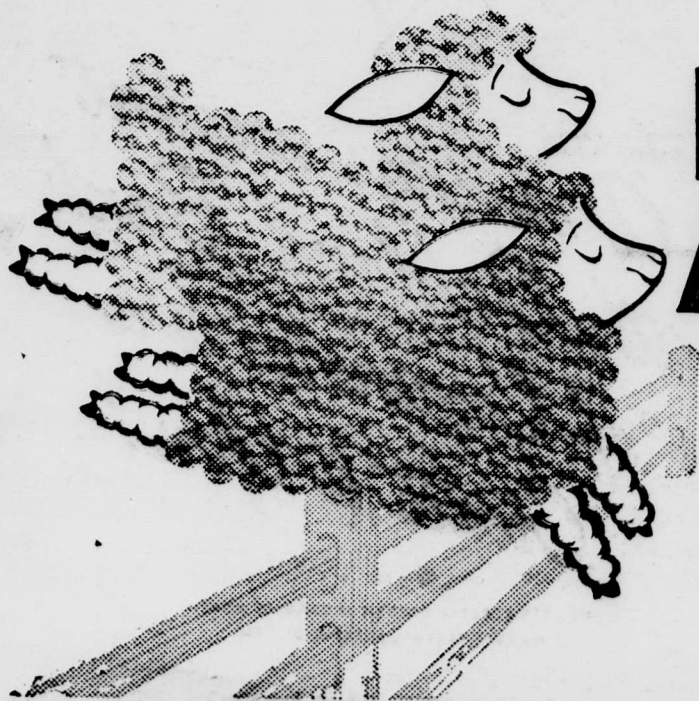
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Arbitration of labor-management disputes will be considered from various standpoints, including the practical problems of preparing and presenting cases; principal types of evidence in disciplinary, seniority, classification, and other disputes; legal problems of enforcement and judicial review; and potential improvements in the arbitration process.

Members of the Seminar will have an opportunity to present, argue, and discuss actual cases. Enrollment in the Seminar will be restricted to permit active participation by those present. The seminar fee of \$32.50 per person will include textbooks and extensive mimeographed materials.

The seminar leader, Dr. Ross, has arbitrated many scores of disputes during the past fifteen years. He has been permanent Arbitrator for Convair and the International Association of Machinists since 1955, arbitrator for Firestone Tire and Rubber Company and the United Rubber Workers since 1956, and a member of the U. S. Atomic Energy Labor Panel since 1953. Dr. Ross is Vice-President of the National Academy of Arbitrators.

For further information, write or call Virginia B. Smith, Institute of Industrial Relations, University of California, Berkeley 4, California: Telephones ASberry 3-4642 or ASberry 3-6000, Ext. 8571/8572.

Vote against No. 18 FIRST!

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many places the ballots will be very long, carrying as many as 30 to 50 proposals, the larger number being made up by the many local propositions that will be before the voters.

"Remind your people to vote FIRST on 18," he emphasized, "and of course to vote NO on it—to get that job done before they do anything else in the voting booth."

Childers said that even the slight drift toward labor's viewpoint shown in the surveys was liable to set some labor people to thinking we'd win without effort, but that this was simply not so.

The BTC spokesman made it plain that labor could lose by a combination of the "drop off" and the "drop out," that is by the people failing to go to the polls entirely.

Childers urged that every union office should close on Election Day, so that all paid officers and staff members could work on getting out the vote. A resolution to this effect was adopted.

Detailed tasks that Campaign Director John Churchill outlined which require volunteer workers will be found in the box in the center of this story.

CLC President Al Brown, who presided, in opening the meeting declared that "November 4 is our D-Day. No one following the polls and watching the material put out by those favoring Proposition 18 can doubt that we are in the fight of our lives."

Jeffery Cohelan, labor-endorsed candidate for Congressman in the 7th District, was introduced for the benefit of those who may not have met him during his long labor career, and many present bought, for ten dollars apiece, goat stickers announcing "I'm a Tenner for Cohelan." These were sold by Ash and by Paul L. Jones of Laborers 304 to raise money to press the campaign for Cohelan.

Oldtime newsboys' fete November 10

The fifth annual newsboys reunion will be held November 10 at 8 p.m. at the Oakland Sea Food Grotto, Jack London Square, Oakland.

Harry Rosenberg, 3520 Brighton Avenue, Oakland 2, is chairman of arrangements, and will appreciate having old time newspaper hustlers bring similar persons with them, notifying him so arrangements can be made.

Invited guests include Sheriff Jack Gleason, Judge Eddie Smith, Central Labor Council President Al Brown, former Oakland Police Chief Les Divine, Oakland City Councilman Robert L. Osborne, and Joe W. Chaudet. Some of these are old newspaper hustlers themselves.

Jack Golberger, former president of the San Francisco Labor Council, Jack Reed the m. c., and Joe Herman the boxer are among the San Francisco contingent.

Chairman Rosenberg has on his committee of arrangements Joe Wilcox, Walter Standart, Joe Cerelli, Mannie Schwartz, George Grondona, George Cohen, Micky Jacobsen, Meyer Plotkin, Jimmy Murphy, Carl Brown.

Knight's low politics rapped

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some day to be in the big league. We all thank you very much for the jerseys and caps, and we hope you will sponsor us again next year."

James Caraway wrote that "I suppose we would be playing in the streets without anybody like Mr. Rosen to help us out if it hadn't been for you people. I also think a lot of us boys learned a lot more about baseball than we ever knew."

Bernard C. Rosen, the coach of the Greenman field activities during the summer, was named in more than one letter.

CRANSTON FETE

Joseph E. Smith, former Mayor of Oakland, and chairman of the Alameda County Citizens Committee Against Proposition 18, wrote asking that the council buy tickets to a social event from 5 to 7 p.m., Monday, October 20, at 136 Dudley Avenue, Piedmont, in honor of Alan Cranston, Democratic labor-endorsed candidate for State Controller.

Smith reminded the delegates that Cranston is an outspoken foe of Proposition 18. Jones said that Cranston is a good candidate, and that certainly his lo-

cal campaign manager, Smith, was doing a great deal for labor. The delegates voted to buy two of the tickets.

Chester R. Bartalini, Carpenters 36, asked for similar contributions to the campaign of Glenn Anderson, Democratic labor - endorsed candidate for Lieutenant Governor; and Charles Geroni, Carpet & Linoleum Layers 1290, spoke up for ditto to the campaign of Oakland City Councilman John Holmdahl, Democratic labor-endorsed candidate for State Senator. These contributions, too, were made.

PROPOSITION B

Proposition B, providing an initial self-liquidating bond issue to get the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District going was endorsed. It will be on the November ballot.

The Board of Business Agents had reported that Robert Nisbit, manager of the district, had appeared before it, and that Vern Stambaugh, president of Carmen 192, had also appeared before it, recommending the measure on the ground that provide better transit, reduce fares, and give proper protection to employees.

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R. L. BURGESS, Editor

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Knight reminded that he was for 'right to work'

As Senator Bulldozer Knowland begins to fear that he is sinking under the wave for that third and fatal time, he reaches out a helping hand to Governor Knight, in the hope that he can drown Knight along with him.

Finding that Knight obdurately refuses to kiss and make up and thank Knowland for bulldozing him out of the Governorship campaign, Knowland blurts out the statement that he has in his possession a letter of some years back in which Knight declared himself in favor of a "right to work" law.

Unreliable as remarks by Senator "Integrity" Knowland have been in this campaign, this statement of his fits in with Knight's previous record. For Knight, many of us old hands remember (though some old hands mysteriously are suffering from a bad case of political amnesia)—Knight in the days when the present Chief Justice was Governor and Knight was Lieutenant Governor, was the darling of the reactionaries. Knight was then currying favor with men in California of the Kamp type. He was forever going off into a corner and conspiring to get the NAM crowd to help him pry Warren out of the Governorship just as Knowland later actually succeeded in doing with Knight.

Now Knight runs around pretending to be a pro-labor liberal. Here in the Alameda County labor movement most of us belong, young and old, to the We Weren't Born Yesterday Club, and are backing Congressman Clair Engle for the Senatorship which Knowland offers Knight as a consolation prize.

And speaking of Knowland, the San Francisco News did a good job of it on September 16 in an editorial charging that "Knowland creates an issue from thin air" in choosing crime as "one of his chief issues," since "the truth is that Pat Brown has a long record as a persistent and effective campaigner against crime." The News drives this home by declaring that "this can only indicate to us that the Senator has been unable to find valid arguments against Attorney General Edmund G. (Pat) Brown."

However, there are plenty of valid arguments against both Knowland and Knight, as those voters know who will go to the polls November 4 and cast their ballots for Brown and Engle.

The GOP versus Reuuuuther!

The Oakland Tribune is much worried for fear the immense new number of registered Democrats will abandon the fine old custom of voting for the Republicans who have the most billboards, ads, and hired campaign workers, and vote in this coming election for the Democratic ticket.

The Machinist, that very able weekly put out by the IAM, throws some light on this by pointing out that in this campaign, all over the country, the Republicans are mainly engaged in wooing Democrats and everyone else to jump on labor.

The Machinist says that the big wind blowing from GOP headquarters sounds "almost as though the Republican bigwigs had decided that the Democrats are just too tough to beat this year," so "they've decided to beat on labor for a few weeks and let it go at that."

We hear, says the Machinist, the GOP wind repeating one word over and over again: Reuuuuther! "The wind makes it sound as though the GOP is running all its candidates against Walter Reuther."

The September clipsheet of the Republican National Committee features an anti-labor cartoon, and certainly Knowland here in California keeps pounding on Reuuuuther!

So if many labor people in this State this year vote the Democratic Party ticket straight, it won't be because they're abandoning labor's historic nonpartisan attitude, but because the Republicans are this year running, not against the Democrats, but against labor, and voting for the Democrats is the only way to strike back at the anti-laborites.

It's root hog or die! Let's root!

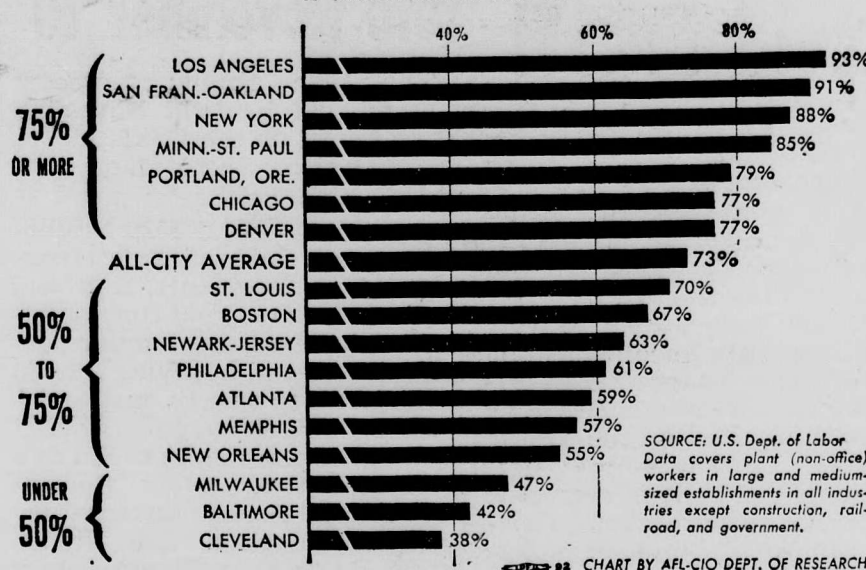
If the first page picture headlines, box, and story on page one of this issue of East Bay Labor Journal failed to make it plain that for unionism it's root hog or die on November 4, then the editor better get a job as a pin to be knocked over in a bowling alley.

Disaster is breathing down our necks. Let's root!

Some things can be put off, and done, maybe, some other time. But that is not the case when an election is drawing near. Anything that is to be done to block the passage of No. 18 on November 4 is a plain case of do it now or never.

PERCENT OF PLANT WORKERS ELIGIBLE FOR 2 WEEKS OR MORE PAID VACATION AFTER 3 OR FEWER YEARS' SERVICE

17 MAJOR AREAS: 1957-58



PROPOSITION 18, the so-called "right to work" initiative on the ballot November 4, menaces some very important rights which have been built up through the years in California. One look at the long line representing California in the chart above shows what one of these rights is. Don't let 'em shorten the line! Vote NO on Proposition 18. Vote NO on it FIRST! Start at the bottom of the list of propositions!

OPINIONS

You Write 'Em . . . We Run 'Em!

FIGHT OR CRY! DOLLAR OR DIE!

Editor, Labor Journal:

Many union members do not seem to realize the seriousness of our position in regards to Proposition 18 and are under the impression that we can afford to be negligent and stay away from the polls on November 4th.

Well, fellow members, we had better stop and think and I mean some real thinking on this subject. When anti-labor proponents of Proposition 18 are willing to spend millions to support any anti-labor legislation—now—Stop and Think.

We can only reason out one answer. They expect to win. They expect to profit by winning at our expense. They are not spending this money; they are investing millions for profit. That is business regardless of who suffers and the public be damned.

How many times have we heard people say that any amount of money spent on campaigns will not influence their vote so why should we spend our money on political issues? Again—Stop and Think!

Let's face the facts. Big business has spent billions in past political campaigns for profit and the fact that big business continues to spend billions on politics is proof of the effectiveness of spending billions on politics or they would have quit spending on politics many years ago.

Spending millions may not influence my vote or your vote but has in past campaigns influenced many voters and probably will continue to influence many voters in the future. So Think again even if it hurts and it does. We have now **thunk** (new word?) our way up to and against the hard facts, it's inescapable, there is only one conclusion, labor is forced to fight with money, even against our will, or weep, when it is too late, without money.

We must have money to present the facts to voters who now may be influenced by vicious anti-labor propaganda. Send in that extra dollar now even if it hurts or be hurt after November 4th. There is no choice—It is—Fight or Cry.

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Editor, Labor Journal:

Carpenters stand to lose \$30 to \$50 per week if Proposition 18 becomes law. Carpenters and other workers are fighting for their lives. Billion dollar corpo-

rations are out to destroy organized labor. With last winter's recession and threat of a worse winter ahead of us, Big Business' first thought is of cutting wages and raising prices to maintain their rate of profit.

So they launch the so-called "Right to Work" laws and employ the McClellan Committee to smear labor. There is a well concerted and richly financed drive to "bust unions". The tycoons of Big Business well remember the gains we made during The Depression. We got unemployment insurance, Social Security, and public works to save the people from starvation. Big Business screamed "Socialism" and fought F. D. R.'s Administration. Now they are afraid in a period of mass unemployment we might extend and increase unemployment benefits and in other ways shift some of the burden of depression off our backs.

Our part in the fight for our lives is to Beat 18. And to permanently retire Knowland from the political scene. Knowland has effectively committed political suicide. It only remains for us to bury him with a landslide vote again him, and to so decisively defeat Proposition 18 that such a trick will not soon be tried again.

We stand to lose heavily if 18 passes. Shouldn't we be smart to give some of our leisure time these next few weeks to "get out the vote" against 18? Let's hear from those who are willing to give some free time to organized distribution of literature in their neighborhoods. Check with the Citizens' Committee Against Proposition 18, or your Local Union.

PAUL HUDGINS,
Member, Carpenters Local 36
Capt. Zone 1 for Citizens
Committee Against 18

RAIDING CUT

The startling success of the merger between the AFL and CIO was demonstrated dramatically in the recent disclosure that union raiding has dropped almost 70 percent since 1953. The number of employees involved in union raids has dropped more than 90 percent over the same period.—The Machinist.

STRAIT JACKET

The military regime has the appearance of efficiency. But actually it is a strait jacket of orders that can only be obeyed, not debated. The civil administration is the product of political processes rooted in the traditions of civil liberties and the rights of man.—Justice William O. Douglas.

THE UNION SHOPS THAT BILL HATES

The union shops that Bulldozer Bill Knowland is trying to destroy with the so-called "right to work" Proposition 18 cover 61% of the workers employed under union agreements in California, according to the following official report:

Nearly forty percent of all the nonfarm wage and salary employees in California are members of labor unions.

This was revealed in the latest annual report on union labor in California, released by Edward P. Park, California Director of Industrial Relations.

Union membership in California totaled 1,736,700 in mid-1957 according to the report prepared by the Department's Division of Labor Statistics and Research. This is 39 percent of the total number of wage and salary workers employed at that time by all nonagricultural establishments in the State.

The report also indicates that 89 percent of California union contracts contain a union security provision. Contracts containing such provisions cover 83 percent of the workers under collective bargaining in the State. The union shop is the most common type of union security provision in California, being specified in contracts covering 61 percent of the workers employed under union agreements.

The report on union security provisions is based on a survey made by the Division of Labor Statistics and Research of 1,550 agreements covering 1,393,000 California workers. In 1,111 of the 1,550 agreements reviewed the union shop was specified. These 1,111 union shop contracts covered about 850,000 employees.

In a union shop agreement, it is agreed by the employer and the union of his employees that all workers employed under the terms of the contract will be union members or become union members within a specified time after being hired.

In the great majority of contracts with union shop provisions, the employer is free to select new employees without regard to union membership. This was the case in 950 of the 1,111 California union agreements with union shop provisions which were reviewed in the survey.

What election?

Just before the primary election in Michigan, a reporter for the Detroit Free Press went out among the multitudes in the city's Cadillac Square to discuss campaign issues.

He talked with 15 citizens before he found one who knew the following day was election day.

Of the first fourteen, he asked: "What do you think of the chances of this guy Bryan—William J.—will he win the nomination?"

A housewife replied: "Yes, I think his chances are pretty fair."

A well-dressed man put down his Racing Form and opined: "I've heard a lot of talk about him. He's got a good chance."

Of the fourteen seven thought The Great Commoner would win. But they weren't quite sure just what he was running for.

In case your memory has slipped also, William Jennings Bryan is most famous for his impassioned "Cross of Gold" speech and one of his unsuccessful shots at the U. S. Presidency back in 1896.

He died in 1925.—Valley Labor Citizen.

Money

When it comes to money, enough is enough—no man can enjoy more.—Robert Southey.